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On page 19, please amend the paragraph beginning on line 5, through the paragraph beginning on line 16, as follows:

--Figure 1: shows a first embodiment of the adhesive element in the shape of a flat plate-like element according to the invention, seen from the side intended for a skin surface. The adhesive surface 4 comprises a first surface 1 and a second surface 2. The first surface is topologically coherent whereas the second surface is topologically incoherent. The second surface and the first surface form a pattern in the shape of dots on the adhesive surface 4. A set of surface properties is different for the first surface and the second surface.

Figure 1a: shows a section along the line A'-A' of the adhesive element shown in Fig 1 Figure 1. A first zone 11 comprises

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the first surface 1 and a second zone 22 comprises the second surface 2.

Figure 2: shows a second embodiment of the adhesive element according to the invention, seen from the side intended for a skin surface. The adhesive element is in the shape of a flat plate-like element for the manufacture of an ostomy body side member. The adhesive element has a hole 3 for receiving the stoma of the patient. Furthermore the adhesive surface 4 comprises a first surface 1 and a second surface 2. The first surface and the second surface are both topologically incoherent and form a pattern in the shape of rings on the adhesive surface 4. A set of surface properties is different for the first surface and the second surface. Similar embodiments without the hole 3 may be used for other medical applications.

Figure 3: shows a third embodiment of the adhesive element according to the invention, seen from the side intended for a skin surface. The second surface forms a circular pattern wherein the circles are broken.

Figure 4: shows a fourth forth-embodiment of the adhesive element according to the invention, seen from the side intended for a skin surface. The first surface 1 and the second surface 2 are

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both topologically coherent and tangled to form a pattern in the  
shape of a spiral.--